

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
For Review & Comment
**MAINE DRAFT STATEWIDE
TRANSPORTATION
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**
Federal Fiscal Years
2004-2005-2006

The Maine Department of Transportation is making available for review and comment the Maine Draft Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for Federal Fiscal Years 2004, 2005 and 2006 which has been developed in accordance with the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) and the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21).

The proposed 2004-2006 STIP includes projects to be funded under Title 23 of the United States Code, and the Federal Transit Act. Funding schedules have been developed for all of the included projects based upon anticipated federal funding levels. Federal funding levels for each fiscal year depend upon legislation yet to be enacted. The availability of State matching funds may also vary from the estimated amounts.

The proposed STIP must be approved by the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration in order for Maine's present Capital Program to continue. Included also as a part of this STIP is a Conformity Analysis for Maine's ozone nonattainment and maintenance areas, completed in response to the Clean Air Act and the Clean Air Act Amendments and with strict adherence to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) "Transportation Conformity Final Rule". Therefore, the Department is making the proposed 2004-2006 STIP available for review through its Bureau of Project Development at its Headquarters Office on U.S. 202, at the top of the hill, in Winthrop and its seven Division Offices on July 11, 2003. The Department's seven Division Offices are located as follows:

Division 1	Division 2	Division 3	Division 4
Rice Street	High Street	219 Hogan Road	10 Mountain Ave.
Presque Isle	Ellsworth	Bangor	Fairfield
Division 5	Division 6	Division 7	
143 Rankin Street	Pleasant Hill Rd.	U.S. 2 @ Holman's Corner	
Rockland	Scarborough	Dixfield	

In addition, the STIP may be found on the Internet at the Maine Department of Transportation's web site at:
www.state.me.us/mdot/mainhtml/publication.htm

Comments should be submitted to the Maine Department of Transportation, Bureau of Project Development, Child Street, 16 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0016, Telephone (207)624-3400 - TDD (207)624-3007. The Department will receive comments through August 11, 2003.

MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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